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X To render the transmitted Amendment "E" and Response timely filed enclosed are the following:

X No other additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as follows:

|   |                                       |                  | SMALL ENTITY |                | LARGE ENTITY |                |
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| CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER                                | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | RATE         | ADD'T'L<br>FEE | RATE         | ADD'T'L<br>FEE |
| TOTAL<br>44   | MINUS<br>44                           | =<br>0           | X            |                | X \$50.00    | 00.00          |
| INDEPENDENT<br>4  | MINUS<br>4                            | =<br>0           | X            |                | X \$200.00   | 00.00          |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT<br>CLAIM |                                       |                  | + _____ =    |                | + _____ =    |                |
|   |                                       |                  | TOTAL        |                | TOTAL        | 00.00          |

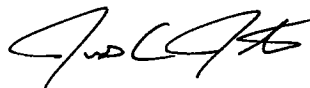
X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

X Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

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